

## 2015 Burn Ban and Fireworks Information

This summer has been beautiful... and dry. Dry hot weather makes for a difficult fire season. The City of DuPont has a permanent ban on outdoor fires (DMC 6.03.010 and 6.03.020) with the exception of recreational fires (BBQ, contained fire pits, etc). Recreational fires must:

- 1. Be built in a metal or concrete fire pit, such as those typically found in designated campgrounds; and not be used as debris disposal;
  - 2. Are limited to three feet in diameter;
- 3. Be located in a clear spot, free from any vegetation for at least 10 feet in a horizontal direction, including at least 25 feet away from any structure and allow 20-foot vertical clearance from overhanging branches;
- 4. Be attended at all times by an alert individual and equipment capable of extinguishing the fire like hand tools and a charged garden hose or not less than two 5 gallon buckets of water:
  - 5. No burning when winds exceed 5 MPH.

If you see an illegal burn, please call 911. You can then contact the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency. To file a complaint, click here <a href="http://www.pscleanair.org">http://www.pscleanair.org</a>. Signs will be placed throughout the City alerting residents of the burn restrictions.



In addition to a permanent outdoor fire ban, the City highly discourages the use of fireworks this July 4<sup>th</sup>. Although the DuPont Municipal Code (12.020) allows for the use of fireworks on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Chief Creekmore is discouraging the use of all fireworks this year due to dry weather conditions. Western Washington and the City of DuPont are facing extreme fire danger this season. As a reminder, only certain types of fireworks are allowed in the City of DuPont. Please see a complete list of allowable fireworks on our website, here

http://dupontwa.gov/DocumentCenter/View/874 . Additional fireworks information is available here http://www.wsp.wa.gov/fire/docs/fireworks/device.pdf or call DuPont Fire at 253-964-8414. Residents of DuPont are encouraged to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks display in front of Patriots landing in lieu of setting off personal fireworks. Please be safe!